CUCAMONGA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT



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Request to Include Alternate Delta Plan as a Project Alternative in the EIR Re:

Dear Chairman Isenberg and Members of the Council:

A coalition of agencies and organizations representing the interests of water agencies, businesses, and farms from throughout the state submitted an Alternate Delta Plan to the Council on June 10, 2011, and requested that the Council include the Alternate Delta Plan as a project alternative in the draft environmental impact report for the Delta Plan.

The Cucamonga Valley Water District has reviewed the Alternate Delta Plan and we fully support its inclusion as a project alternative in the draft EIR. The Cucamonga Valley Water District currently receives approximately 40% of our water supply from the State Water Project and is aware and supportive of the need to operate it meeting the needs of the environment and equally the need to provide a reliable and safe drinking water supply to millions of Californians.

One of our organizational goals is to be good stewards of the environment and we are proud to be able to accomplish this goal through an extensive number of environmental efforts while at the same time still meeting the needs of our customers by providing them a safe and reliable drinking water supply. The Alternate Delta Plan lays out a truly comprehensive approach to achieving the co-equal goals that we believe warrants full discussion by the Council.

We believe including the Alternate Delta Plan as a project alternative in the draft EIR will ensure the Council has a complete range of options to consider as it formulates the final Delta Plan by the Jan. 1, 2012, deadline.

Accordingly, we request that Council include the Alternate Delta Plan in its entirety as a project alternative in the draft EIR for the Delta Plan.

We remain committed to working with the Council as a partner in developing a plan that can further the achievement of the co-equal goals of ecosystem restoration and water supply reliability.

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